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Farrow Family History

**Genealogy**

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**From:** Ben [Ben@CHLAW.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2000 3:09 PM  
**To:** 'Genealogy'  
**Subject:** THANK YOU

*Farrow*

I appreciate the help and I will be contacting Magnolia Cemetery to find plot numbers etc... Consequently, please do not copy the information you so graciously provided.

Also, I will be making a trip to Mobile in the coming weeks (a weekend) and would like to know your hours of operation.

Finally, I would like to know if there are any local histories of Mobile (1830 - 1900) that I could read. I have tried to provide enough family details for you without being overly verbose so that you can help point me in the right direction with my reading.

Benjamin Farrow, the baker, moved to Mobile circa 1834-1839 and opened a shop at 47 Conception St. By 1842 he had moved to 211 Dauphin and 8 years later he died. His wife Caroline Steitz died Sept. 2, 1865.

His son Henry Charles (1824-1881) was a printer/advertiser in 1842. He married Elizabeth Stokes at Trinity Church in Mobile in 1853 and remained in Mobile until his death.

Henry Charles' son, Henry Charles (Jr.), was born Feb. 21, 1869, married Susan Waugh Elder in Mobile on April 12, 1899 and had 3 children (Rachel-May 19, 1902 Henry Farrow-April 24, 1904 and Judith Cole-February 21, 1907). Henry Charles (Jr.) died 1944 and his wife Susan died in 1959 in Mobile. Their son Henry went on to attend Barton Academy and the US Naval Academy and serve in WWII. He subsequently died in 1959 in Portsmouth, VA. in a naval hospital.

The rest of my family then scatters to the winds leaving Alabama until I recently returned and began digging in earnest. It started as a curiosity and is fast becoming an obsession.

WOW this has gone on way to long.

In short, I am looking for any help in local histories of Mobile. I have already written The Mobile Court for death certificates and marriage papers and visited the ADAH (they have suprising little and told me that Mobile keeps its own counsel!). I am now looking to fill in these peoples' lives and ask you to show me a path.

Thank you again and sorry for the length of this letter.

Ben Farrow  
895 Excelsior Drive  
Montgomery AL 36117

-----Original Message-----

From: Genealogy [mailto:emartin@jgrl.lib.ms.us]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2000 12:32 PM  
To: Ben  
Subject: RE: magnolia cemetary

Dear Ben,

Pascagoula Public Library  
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We find:

Henry Charles Farrow  
1869-1944  
Susan Elder Farrow  
1872-1959

Caroline S. Farrow  
Martha Farrow  
Charles S. A. Farrow  
Frances McGowan  
Henry Farrow  
Elizabeth J. Farrow

(It appears from the way they appear in the book that the six graves immediately above are in the same lot.) No birth or death dates of any of those six.

Mary Jane Calef  
Wife of J. B. Calef  
Died Aug. 10, 1860 Age 38 yrs

Harriet H. Calef  
Died June 15, 1870 Age 46 yrs

Sophia F. Calef  
No dates

Carrie  
No dates

J. B. Calef  
April 27, 1822-June 13, 1886

We don't find the first three, Benjamin and Alfred Farrow and Mattei Farrera listed in the Magnolia Cemetery Book. It's possible they could be in unmarked graves.

>From "Burial Records, Mobile Co, AL, 1857-1870, Volume II" by the Mobile Genealogical Society:  
Jane Farrow, age 50, born North Carolina, buried Oct 15, 1858

Benjamin Farrow, age 67, baker, born England, buried Aug 6, 1859

Alfred W. Farrow, age 35, steamboat clerk, born London, England, buried March 22, 1860

Mrs. Caroline Farrow, age 65, born England, buried Sep 2, 1865

We don't find Mattie Farrera in this book.

William F. Calef, 24 days old, born Mobile, buried July 28, 1858

Mrs. Mary Jane Calef, age 38, born Maine, buried Aug 11, 1860

Mrs. Harriet H. Calef, age 46, born Mobile, buried 16 June 1870

Sallie, daughter of J. B. Califf, female, one year and two months, born Mobile, buried June 13, 1863

Burial Records of Mobile Co, AL, 1820-1856, Volume 1, Mobile Genealogical Society:  
Simon Culif, age 33, born France, buried August 29, 1853

The last two aren't spelled exactly the same, but spelling sometimes changed over the years. And clerks got the spelling wrong sometimes.

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If you would like copies of any of this information, we can mail it to you. We would need your postal address. The library charges fifteen cents per page for copies.

You would probably need to get in touch with the Magnolia Cemetery Office if you want lot numbers for these graves. You should be able to get the telephone number from information.

We hope that this information will be helpful and that you will let us know if we may be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,  
Sherry Owens  
Genealogy & Local History Department

> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Ben [mailto:Ben@CHLAW.com]  
> Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2000 11:09 PM  
> To: 'Genealogy'  
> Subject: RE: magnolia cemetery  
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> It is the magnolia in mobile, AL My relatives are:  
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> Name                      Death  
>  
> Benjamin Farrow 6 August 1859  
> Alfred Farrow    22 March 1860  
> Mattie Farrera  1 January 1871  
>  
> Josiah B. Calef 13 June 1886  
> Harriet H. Calef        15 June 1870  
> Mary Jane Calef 10 August 1860  
> Carrie                (unknown)  
> Sophia F              (unknown)  
>  
> Caroline S. Farrow      2 September 1865  
> Martha Farrow           (unknown)  
> Charles S. A. Farrow    6 April 1862  
> Frances McGowan        (unknown)  
> Henry Farrow            26 January 1881  
> Elizabeth J. Farrow     27 June 1902  
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> Henry Charles Farrow    1944  
> Susan Elder Farrow      1959  
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> They are grouped by family and should be close together except  
> for the first  
> three that may be anywhere.  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Genealogy [mailto:emartin@jgrl.lib.ms.us]  
> Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2000 11:01 AM  
> To: Ben  
> Subject: RE: magnolia cemetery  
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> Dear Ben,

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> We are familiar with 3 Magnolia Cemeteries. One in Jackson County,  
> one in  
> Lucedale, George Co/Old Jackson Co, Miss., and one in Mobile,  
> Alabama. Can  
> you give me the names of the relatives you are searching for? We have the  
> records from all three Magnolia Cemeteries here in the library.  
> Sincerely, Else Martin  
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> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: Ben [mailto:Ben@CHLAW.com]  
> > Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2000 9:27 PM  
> > To: 'ElseJMartin<emartin@jgrl.lib.ms.us>'  
> > Subject: magnolia cemetary  
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> > I have a number of relatives buried in this cemetary and would like to  
> > locate their graves. Is there a contact person for the  
> > cemetary and a map  
> > of the site?  
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> > I have been unable to find "magnolia cemetary" anywhere on the web. Any  
> > leads would be appreciated.  
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> > Thank you.  
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> > Ben  
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